

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
District of Rhode Island

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
v.
SOUTHERN UNION COMPANY

JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE

Case Number: **1:07CR00134-01S**

USM Number: N/A

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Defendant's Attorney

THE DEFENDANT:

- ☐ pleaded guilty to count(s): ____.
- ☐ pleaded nolo contendere to count(s) ____ which was accepted by the court.
- ☒ was found guilty on count(s) **I of the Indictment** after a plea of not guilty.

The defendant is adjudicated guilty of these offenses:

<u>Title & Section</u>	<u>Nature of Offense</u>	<u>Date Offense Concluded</u>	<u>Count Number(s)</u>
42 U.S.C. § 6928(d)(2)(A)	Storing a Hazardous Waste without Permit- Waste Liquid Mercury	October 19, 2004	I

The defendant is sentenced as provided in pages 2 through 5 of this judgment. The sentence is imposed pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984.

☒ The defendant has been found not guilty on count(s) **II and III of the Indictment**.

☐ Count(s) ____ ☐ is ☐ are dismissed on motion of the United States.

IT IS ORDERED that the defendant shall notify the United States Attorney for this district within 30 days of any change of name, residence, or mailing address until all fines, restitution, costs, and special assessments imposed by this judgment are fully paid. If ordered to pay restitution, the defendant shall notify the court and United States Attorney of any material change in the defendant's economic circumstances.

October 2, 2009

Date of Imposition of Judgment



Signature of Judicial Officer

WILLIAM E. SMITH
United States District Judge

Name & Title of Judicial Officer

10/7/09

Date

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PROBATION

The defendant is hereby placed on probation for a term of 2 years.

The defendant shall not commit another federal, state, or local crime.

The defendant shall not unlawfully possess a controlled substance. The defendant shall refrain from any unlawful use of a controlled substance. The defendant shall submit to one drug test within 15 days after placement on probation and at least two periodic drug tests thereafter as determined by the Court..

- ☐ The above drug testing condition is suspended based on the court's determination that the defendant poses a low risk of future substance abuse. (Check, if applicable)
- ☐ The defendant shall not possess a firearm, destructive device, or any other dangerous weapon. (Check, if applicable)
- ☐ The defendant shall cooperate with the collection of DNA as directed by the probation officer. (Check, if applicable)
- ☐ The defendant shall register with the state sex offender registration agency in the state where the defendant resides, works, or is a student, as directed by the probation officer. (Check, if applicable)
- ☐ The defendant shall participate in an approved program for domestic violence. (Check, if applicable)

If this judgment imposes a fine or a restitution, it is a condition of probation that the defendant pay in accordance with the Schedule of Payments sheet of this judgment.

The defendant must comply with the standard conditions that have been adopted by this court as well as with any additional conditions on the attached page.

STANDARD CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION

- 1) the defendant shall not leave the judicial district without permission of the court or probation officer;
- 2) the defendant shall report to the probation officer and shall submit a truthful and complete written report within the first five days of each month;
- 3) the defendant shall answer truthfully all inquiries by the probation officer and follow instructions of the probation officer;
- 4) the defendant shall support his or her dependants and meet other family responsibilities;
- 5) the defendant shall work regularly at a lawful occupation unless excused by the probation officer for schooling, training or other acceptable reasons;
- 6) the defendant shall notify the probation officer at least ten days prior to any change in residence or employment;
- 7) the defendant shall refrain from excessive use of alcohol and shall not purchase, possess, use, distribute, or administer any controlled substance or any paraphernalia related to any controlled substances, except as prescribed by a physician;
- 8) the defendant shall not frequent places where controlled substances are illegally sold, used, distributed, or administered;
- 9) the defendant shall not associate with any persons engaged in criminal activity, and shall not associate with any person convicted of a felony unless granted permission to do so by the probation officer;
- 10) the defendant shall permit a probation officer to visit him or her at any time at home or elsewhere and shall permit confiscation of any contraband observed in plain view of the probation officer;
- 11) the defendant shall notify the probation officer within seventy-two hours of being arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer;
- 12) the defendant shall not enter into any agreement to act as an informer or a special agent of a law enforcement agency without the permission of the court;
- 13) as directed by the probation officer, the defendant shall notify third parties of risks that may be occasioned by the defendant's criminal record or personal history or characteristics, and shall permit the probation officer to make such notifications and to confirm the defendant's compliance with such notification requirement.

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY - US PROBATION OFFICE

Upon a finding of a violation of probation or supervised release, I understand that the Court may (1) revoke supervision or (2) extend the term of supervision and/or (3) modify the conditions of supervision.
These conditions have been read to me. I fully understand them and have been provided a copy.

(Signed)

Defendant

Date

US Probation Officer/Designated Witness

Date

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SPECIAL CONDITION(S) OF PROBATION

In addition, the defendant shall comply with the following special condition(s):

1. Defendant will be required to submit evidence of an existing and ongoing corporate-wide environmental compliance plan.
 2. Defendant shall submit to an environmental audit to ensure that the defendant has an ongoing plan for corporate wide environmental compliance. The auditor must be independant yet can be employed as a consultant by the defendant. The auditor must consult with the U.S. Probation Department to ensure compliance.
 3. Community service in the total amount of twelve million dollars (\$12,000,000.00) no interest.
*One million (\$1,000,000.00) of which to be allotted in the amount of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) to the following:
 - Rhode Island Chapter of the American Red Cross restricted to use in RI
 - RI DEM Environmental Response Fund
 - Hasbro Children's Hospital for the equipment and testing of children exposed to hazardous chemicals and waste
 - Distressed Communities Recreation and Acquisition Fund to be used in Pawtucket, RI
 - Pawtucket Fire Department for acquisition of materials to be used in response to hazardous chemical spills
- *Eleven million (\$11,000,000.00) to an endowed fund to be managed by the Rhode Island Foundation for grants in the field of environmental education, environmental remediation, conservation and children's health issues related as much as possible to exposure to toxins, hazardous waste, and heavy metal hazardous waste. It is envisioned that this fund will be modeled after the Blue Cross deferred prosecution agreement.

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CRIMINAL MONETARY PENALTIES

The defendant shall pay the following total criminal monetary penalties in accordance with the schedule of payments set forth on Sheet 6.

	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Fine</u>	<u>Restitution</u>
Totals:	\$400.00	\$6,000,000.00	\$0.00

☐ The determination of restitution is deferred until . An *Amended Judgment in a Criminal Case* (AO 245C) will be entered after such determination.

☐ The defendant shall make restitution (including community restitution) to the following payees in the amount listed.

If the defendant makes a partial payment, each payee shall receive an approximately proportioned payment, unless specified otherwise in the priority order or percentage payment column below. However, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3664(i), all non-federal victims must be paid before the United States is paid.

<u>Name of Payee</u>	<u>*Total Amount of Loss</u>	<u>Amount of Restitution Ordered</u>	<u>Priority Order or % of Payment</u>
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TOTALS:

☐ If applicable, restitution amount ordered pursuant to plea agreement. \$_____

☒ The defendant shall pay interest on any fine or restitution of more than \$2,500, unless the fine or restitution is paid in full before the fifteenth day after the date of the judgment, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3612(f). All of the payment options on Sheet 6 may be subject to penalties for delinquency and default, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3612(g).

☐ The court determined that the defendant does not have the ability to pay interest, and it is ordered that:

☐ the interest requirement is waived for the ☐ fine and/or ☐ restitution.

☐ the interest requirement for the ☐ fine and/or ☐ restitution is modified as follows:

* Findings for the total amount of losses are required under Chapters 109A, 110, 110A, and 113A of Title 18 for offenses committed on or after September 13, 1994 but before April 23, 1996.

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SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Having assessed the defendant's ability to pay, payment of the total criminal monetary penalties shall be due as follows:

- A ☒ Lump sum payment of \$6,000,400.00 due immediately.
- ☐ not later than __, or
☐ in accordance with ☐ C, ☐ D, ☐ E, or ☐ F below; or
- B ☐ Payment to begin immediately (may be combined with ☐ C, ☐ D, or ☐ F below); or
- C ☐ Payment in equal __ (e.g., weekly, monthly, quarterly) installments of \$__ over a period of __ (e.g., months or years), to commence __ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after the date of this judgment; or
- D ☐ Payment in equal __ (e.g., weekly, monthly, quarterly) installments of \$__ over a period of __ (e.g., months or years), to commence __ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after release from imprisonment to a term of supervision; or
- E ☐ Payment during the term of supervised release will commence within __ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after release from imprisonment. The court will set the payment plan based on an assessment of the defendant's ability to pay at that time; or
- F ☐ Special instructions regarding the payment of criminal monetary penalties:

Unless the court has expressly ordered otherwise, if this judgment imposes imprisonment, payment of criminal monetary penalties is due during imprisonment. All criminal monetary penalties, except those payments made through the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Inmate Financial Responsibility Program, are made to the clerk of the court.

The defendant shall receive credit for all payments previously made toward any criminal monetary penalties imposed.

☐ Joint and Several

Defendant and Co-Defendant Names and Case Numbers (including defendant number), Total Amount, Joint and Several Amount, and corresponding payee, if appropriate.

☐ The defendant shall pay the cost of prosecution.

☐ The defendant shall pay the following court cost(s):

☐ The defendant shall forfeit the defendant's interest in the following property to the United States: